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| Applicant(s): Dominique Baulier  |   |   |                                   |                           |  |                            |  |
| nvention: AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLE FRAMING SYSTEM  |   |   |                                   |                           |  |                            |  |
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| Independent<br>Claims  | 1   | - 3 =                                   |                                   | x                         |  |                            |  |
| Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable)  |   |   |                                   |                           |  |                            |  |
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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 25, 2006, please amend the aboveidentified patent application as follows: